



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Commissioner for Patents
United States Patent and Trademark Office
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
www.uspto.gov

Paper No.

GOWLING LAFLEUR HENDERSON LLP
SUITE 1600, 1 FIRST CANADIAN PLACE
100 KING STREET WEST
TORONTO ON M5X 1G5
CANADA

MAILED

DEC 13 2010

OFFICE OF PETITIONS

In re Application of :
Spicer et al. : DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 09/926,474 :
Filed: January 18, 2002 :
Atty Docket No. T8465681US :

This is a decision on the PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b) filed September 21, 2010.

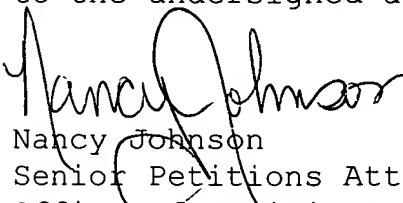
The petition is **GRANTED**.

A non-final Office action was mailed in this application on June 9, 2008. In response, applicant timely filed a notice of appeal on December 9, 2008. No appeal brief filed or further action taken, the application became abandoned effective February 10, 2009. A courtesy Notice of Abandonment was mailed on August 7, 2009.

The petition includes the required reply in the form of an amendment, the required statement of unintentional delay and payment of the petition fee. No terminal disclaimer is required.

Technology Center AU 2451 has been advised of this decision. The application is, thereby, forwarded to the examiner for consideration of the reply submitted on petition filed September 21, 2010.

Telephone inquiries specific to this matter should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3219.


Nancy Johnson
Senior Petitions Attorney
Office of Petitions